PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) Estimates of per capita income for 1995-96 as per the quick estimates of Central Statistical Organisation are Rs. 2573 at constant (1980-81 prices) and Rs. 9321 at current prices.

(b) Difference between current and constant price estimates is on account of overall (all goods and services) price change over the period 1980-81 to current year.

(c) Currently per capita income is not estimated for all years at price levels of different years. Per capita income is estimated at constant (1980-81) prices and at current prices only.

(d) The sector-wise details of per capita income are not available. The sector-wise details of Gross Domestic Product at factor cost at constant (1980-81) prices as well as at current prices are given below:

S. No.	Sector	Gross Domestic Product at Factor Cost (1995-96)	
		At constant (1980-81 prices) (Rs. crores)	At current prices (Rs. crores)
1.	Agriculture	73628	274752
2.	Industry (including Mining & Quarrying, Electricity, Gas & Water Supply and Construction)	85390	296310
3.	Others	115191	414725
	Total	274209	985787

Completion of Sardar Sarovar Dam Project

3138. SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SAMBHAJIRAO SHINDE:
SHRIMATI VEENA VERMA:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the former Prime Minister, at a meeting of the Secretaries and other senior officers of various economic, social and other ministries and departments on March 22, 1997, had advised not to neglect the important development projects for any reasons like lack of resources;

(b) if so, the placement given to the Sardar Sarovar Dam project amongst the important projects, which form the life line of million of people and a large part of the country; and

(c) the steps being taken to ensure that this project is completed without let and hindrance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (c) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the house.

Annual plan for Gujarat

3139. SHRI RAJUBHAI A. PARMAR: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to stte:

(a) the annual plan provision for 1997-98 sought for and provided for Gujarat; and

(b) the agricultural, industrial and economic growth rates contemplated thereunder?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) and (b) An amount of Rs. 4500 crore was sought by the Government of Gujarat for the Annual Plan 1997-98 and the same has been approved by the Planning Commission. In the proposal for Annual Plan 1997-98, the state government has not provided details of sectoral growth rates contemplated thereunder.

पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों के लिये केन्द्रीय सहायता

3140. श्री राघवजी: क्या योजना और कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे:

(क) क्या कुछ राज्यों के पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों के विकास के लिये कोई केन्द्रीय सहायता उपलब्ध कराई गई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो सहायता के संबंध में क्या मानदंड अपनाए गए हैं;

(ग) क्या सातवीं पंचवर्षीय योजना के दौरान योजना आयोग द्वारा गठित कार्यकारी दल की तकनीकी समिति ने मध्य प्रदेश के कतिपय पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों की पहचान की थी;

(घ) यदि हां, तो क्या उन क्षेत्रों को केन्द्रीय सहायता उपलब्ध कराई गई थी; और

(ङ) यदि हां, तो तत्संबंधी ब्यौरा क्या है; यदि नहीं, तो उनके कारण क्या हैं और यह कब तक दिए जाने का प्रस्ताव है।

योजना एवं कार्यक्रम कार्यान्वयन मंत्रालय के राज्य, मंत्री तथा विज्ञान और प्रौद्योगिकी मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री योगेन्द्र के० अलग) (क) और (ख) जी हां, सभी निर्धारित पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों अर्थात् उत्तर प्रदेश, तमिलनाडु, पश्चिम बंगाल व असम के पहाड़ी क्षेत्रों और पश्चिमी घाटों के निर्धारित तालुकाओं को पर्वतीय क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत विशेष केन्द्रीय सहायता प्रदान की जाती है। पर्वतीय क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत उपलब्ध कुल विशेष केन्द्रीय सहायता पर्वतीय क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम और पश्चिमी घाट विकास कार्यक्रम के बीच 86.61 : 13.39 के अनुपात में आबंटित की जाती है। पर्वतीय क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम के लिए विशेष केन्द्रीय सहायता का परस्पर वितरण क्षेत्र की आबादी एवं क्षेत्रफल के आधार पर किया जाता है। जिसमें इन दोनों बातों को समान महत्व दिया जाता है। पश्चिमी घाट विकास कार्यक्रम के मामले में आबादी को 25% और क्षेत्रफल को 75% का महत्व दिया जाता है।

(ग) से (ङ) जी, हां, परन्तु निधियों को कमी के कारण किसी भी नए पर्वतीय क्षेत्रों में पर्वत क्षेत्र विकास कार्यक्रम का विस्तार न करने का निर्णय लिया गया था जिसमें पश्चिमी घाटों के नए क्षेत्र भी शामिल हैं।

Criteria for poverty determination

3141. SHRI RAM GOPAL YADAV:
SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) the criterion in respect of poverty determination;

(b) whether it is a fact that the eminent economists do not agree with Government in this regard; and

(c) if so, Government's reaction in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (c) The Planning Commission estimates the incidence of poverty at national and state level based on the poverty line adopted by the Expert Group on the Estimation of Proportion and Number of Poor. The Expert Group itself consisted of very outstanding economists. It defined the poverty line as monthly per capita consumer expenditure of Rs. 49.09 in rural areas and Rs. 56.64 in urban areas at 1973-74 prices corresponding to a basket of goods and services anchored on a norm of per capita daily calories requirement of 2400 in rural areas and 2100 in urban areas. This has not been disputed, in serious dicussions.

Integration of Poverty Alleviation and credit linked self employment schemes

3142. SHRI RAHASBIHARI BARIK: Will the Minister of PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have a proposal to integrate all the poverty alleviation and credit linked centrally sponsored self employment schemes;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) by when it is likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION AND MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (SHRI YOGINDER K. ALAGH): (a) to (c) A committee was set up under Chairmanship of Member, Planning Commission to Review and Rationalise Centrally Sponsored Schemes of Poverty Alleviation and Employment Generation. The programmes/schemes of the Ministry of Rural Areas & Employment, Ministry of Urban Affairs & Employment,